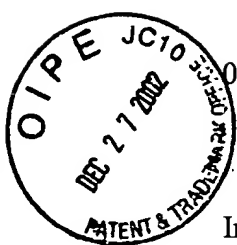


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 20, 2002 (Paper No. 8), Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the Group II claims, namely Claims 10 to 24, 30 to 47, 51, 52, 54 to 56, 60, 61 and 63 to 65. The election is made without traverse.

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